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1. On 18 February 1952, the Infanterie Kaserne on the east side of Friedenstrasse, Zeitz (M 52/K 18), quartered 2,100 troops. [] one building 25X1
of the installation quartered 600 to 700 tank troopers and two other buildings,
1,200 to 1,400 artillerymen. A small-scale maneuver, involving two opposing 25X1
teams of 200 troops, was held in the Gross Ossida-Zeitz area on 17 October.
The defenders of a patch of trees were attacked under the protection of a
smoke-screen and by-passed. Vehicles observed at the Infanterie Kaserne []

2. On 17 February, about 1,600 troops were seen assembling for roll call in the
Artillerie Kaserne on the west side of Friedenstrasse, Zeitz. As [] 25X1
more troops in the billeting area, [] the total number of troops 25X1
in the installation at 1,800. Gate guards wore red-bordered black epaulets
with tank insignia. [] 25X1

* [] Comment. [] confirms the 67th Gds Mech Regt
and the unidentified guards tank regiment, both of the 20th Gds Mech Div,
in the Infanterie Kaserne and the Artillerie Kaserne respectively. The estimate
of the number of troops belonging to the mechanized regiment is between the
peace and war strength of the unit but the strength estimate of the troops
belonging to the tank regiment is still above war strength. []

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